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SUBJ: CIVAIR PRECLEARANCE

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1. BARRITT STOPPED BY CONGEN OCT 2 TO INFORM US THERE NO FURTHER PROGRESS ON GOB PROBLEM RE FINANCING PRE-CLEARANCE ALTERATION COSTS. HE ALSO SAID HE WAS OFF THAT DAY FOR SEVERAL WEEKS HOLIDAY IN EUROPE AND ERNEST W.P. VESEY. MINISTER FOR PLANNING WOULD BE HOLDING HIS PORTFOLIO DURING BARRITT'S ABSENCE.
2. WILSON OFFUTT EASTERN REP JUST BACK (OCT 2) FROM DISCUSSION WITH HIS HEADQUARTERS MIAMI STATED AT BEST EASTERN MIGHT PUT UP 40 TO 43 THOUSAND DOLLARS TOWARD RECONFIGURATION COSTS. CUSTOMS PLANS WERE HE THOUGHT BEING SLIGHTLY ALTERED IN ITS CANADIAN

PAGE TWO RUEBBRA0375 C O N F I D E N T I A L LIMITED OFFICIAL USE CONFIGURATION AND IT POSSIBLE CRT'S WOULD BE REMOTED TO EXIT GATE RATHER THAN BEING PART OF INSPECTION STATION. WHAT IF ANY AFFECT THIS WOULD HAVE ON COSTS UNKNOWN.

3. OFFUTT SAID INVOLVED AIRLINES HOPING TO MEET WITH
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ATA, CUSTOMS AND GOB IN WASHINGTON WEEK OF OCTOBER

8TH TO ARRIVE AT SOME SOLUTION PRESENT STALEMATE. HE
ADDED THAT EASTERN WOULD NEITHER MAKE OUTRIGHT
REJECTION OF GOB REQUEST FOR FUNDS (HAMILTONS 328) NOR
INFORM GOB OF WHAT EASTERN WOULD DO UNTIL AFTER THE
HOPED FOR MEETING IN WASHINGTON WEEK OCT. 8TH.

4. PANAM REP (DOWN) INDICATES SOME GIVE PERHAPS TO TUNE
\$20 THOUSAND WHICH HE CONSIDERS PANAM ORIGINAL
COMMITMENT WHEN PRECLEARANCE DISCUSSIONS FIRST STARTED.
HE INFERRED PANAM INTEREST BASED ON OPENING OF THEIR
FACILITY NEWARK AIRPORT AND THEIR HOPES FOR SUCCESS
ON ROUTING NEWARK-BERMUDA.

5. DELTA REP (GRACY) HAD NO FURTHER WORD ON MEETING WEEK
OF OCT. 8TH OR ON AMOUNT HIS AIRLINE MIGHT PUT UP
TOWARD GOB PRECLEARANCE CONSTRUCTION COSTS.

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